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“Ballet Sun Valley presents Day for Dance Education for aspiring young dancers”

As a part of its 2018 festival, July 17-19, Ballet Sun Valley has announced Day for Dance Education on July 19, 2018. This special program is in addition to the evening performances held on July 17 and 18 at the Sun Valley Pavilion featuring top international dancers performing works by celebrated choreographers. Several of the dancers from the world's preeminent dance companies performing at Ballet Sun Valley will also instruct free dance classes for aspiring young dancers – a rare opportunity for those young dancers who are selected to participate.

In addition to instruction offered during Day for Dance Education, Ballet Sun Valley Festival 2018 Artistic Director Isabella Boylston will also give a talk about her journey from her hometown of Sun Valley to reaching the top of her industry as Principal Dancer with American Ballet Theatre. Participants will hear from Isabella how her youth in Idaho shaped her journey, how she got to where she is, and plenty of anecdotes from her travels to perform on some of the most prestigious stages around the globe.

Ballet Sun Valley hopes that Day for Dance Education will provide these young dancers with experiences that may inspire them to reach for that next level and to better prepare themselves for the future – whether it be for a professional dance career or a life that is enriched by the ballet experience of discipline, commitment, graceful movement, healthy exercise, and knowledge of one of the world's most beautiful art forms.

To be considered for a class, students must complete an application by July 15, which can be found on the Ballet Sun Valley website, www.balletsunvalley.com. A committee of dance instructors will select the students to be invited to participate. There will be classes in three levels of ballet experience. There will also be a class in advanced variations on pointe, and a class on Jazz dance. Each selected student will also receive one, non-transferrable Pavilion Terrace seat for one of the two Ballet Sun Valley performances.

Questions should be directed to Ally Weihe, Director, Ballet Sun Valley Day for Dance Education, education@balletsunvalley.com or 208-720-8770.

ABOUT BALLET SUN VALLEY

Ballet Sun Valley Festival 2018, July 17-19, is a star-studded international ballet festival featuring principal dancers from many of the world's leading ballet companies performing in one of the world's most spectacular outdoor venues, the Sun Valley Pavilion in Sun Valley, Idaho. Under the Artistic Direction of American Ballet Theatre Principal Ballerina and Sun Valley native, Isabella Boylston, Ballet Sun Valley presents two completely different programs on July 17 and 18 that will include works by Balanchine, Robbins, Forsythe, Wheeldon, Justin Peck and others. Festival dancers this year will come from the Paris Opera Ballet, Royal Danish Ballet, Royal Swedish Ballet, American Ballet Theatre, New York City Ballet, and San Francisco Ballet. Ballet Sun Valley Festival 2018 includes a Day for Dance Education on July 19 which will offer a world-class learning opportunity for aspiring young dancers.

Tickets available online at sunvalley.ticketfly.com or by calling the box office at (208) 622-2135.